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RIDGEMAN AND ITS IMPROVEMENTS.

—ITS VINEYARDS, ETC.—It was our

pleasure this week to spend a day at

New Ridgeway, on the line of the Rail-

road and Gaston Road, and to view the

improvements that have been and are

being made in that section by the

Northern, English and French settlers.

The original idea of building up a town,

without anything to support it, has

been abandoned sometime since, and

now the intention of those who have

moved into this locality is to convert the

whole section into a vast vineyard, for

which purpose it is, in both soil and

climate, so we were informed by intelli-

gent French gardeners, barely second to

the richest vine districts of southern

France. To accomplish this end much

has already been done. We found on

the farm of Messrs. Labianx & Clerc

some 70,000 vines of different varieties,

the majority of which were imported from

France, and were planted in rows, and

the vines were cuttings from the best

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APEX ITEMS.—Our readers need not

wonder with astonishment what and

where is Apex, because it will be re-

membered the United States Congress

was stricken in a like manner only a

few years ago, when Duluth was men-

tioned by one of the Representatives.

Duluth is now a large city, and should

Apex continue to grow, she has begun

in the space of time, reach the di-

mensions of Duluth. A few years ago,

the present site of the enterprising town

of Apex, eighteen miles west of Raleigh

on the Raleigh and Augusta Air-Line

Railroad, was a pine wilderness; now

it is a rapidly growing, incorporated

town, with a Mayor and a Board of

Town Commissioners that hold weekly

sessions of its Council. So much for

Apex, now for the news.

The large steam saw and blind factory

and planing mill of Messrs. Ellington,

Atkins & Davis is nearly completed

and operations therein will commence

on the 1st of September.

The Apex Male Academy, Mr. Nor-

ris, Principal, and the Female Institute

under the management of Miss Clem-

mons, have opened their Fall sessions

very auspiciously for a successful term.

The Board of Town Commissioners

were in session two nights this week

discussing the expediency of granting

additional licenses for the retail of

spiruous liquors. The sentiment of

the community is that two already is

too many, and the addition of others

would not remove the sentiment.

It is a gratifying fact to our business

population to note the general increase

of the business of Apex. Every branch

of mercantile business is doubling itself,

while it is impossible to get enough

mechanics to supply the demand for

work.

The crops in this section are very

good, and the yield of both cotton and

corn will far exceed the average. The

cotton field of our Mayor, Rev. Mr.

Bettis, is thought to be the finest in

the State. Competent judges think it

will yield two bales to the acre.

OUR CHURCHES TO-DAY.—Divine

services will be held at the following

Churches to-day, (Sunday.) Strangers

and others in the city are earnestly

and cordially invited to attend. Gentle-

manly ushers will be present to conduct

visitors to pews which are always free.

Edenton Street Methodist Church, Ed-

enton street, Rev. A. W. Mangum, of-

ficiating. Services at 11 o'clock A. M.

and 8 o'clock P. M.

Baptist Church, corner Salisbury

and Morgan streets, Rev. T. H. Pritchard,

D. D., officiating. Services at 11 o'clock

A. M. and 8 o'clock P. M.

Presbyterian Church, corner Salisbury

and Morgan streets, Rev. J. M. Atkinson,

D. D., officiating. Services at 11 o'clock

A. M. and 8 o'clock P. M.

Christ's (Episcopal) Church, Wilham-

ing street, Rev. Dr. R. S. Mason, of-

ficiating. Services at 11 o'clock A. M.

and 8 o'clock P. M.

St. John's (Catholic) Church, corner

Morgan and Wilmington streets, Rev. J.

V. McNamara, priest, officiating. Di-

vina service at 8 o'clock A. M. Owing

to the heat of the season there will be

Sunday-school at the usual hour. Mass

directly after.

Person Street Methodist Church, Rev.

Mr. J. A. Trimmer, officiating. Service

at 11 o'clock A. M. and 8 P. M.

St. Augustine (col.) Episcopal, cor-

THE BENEFITS OF LIFE INSURANCE.

Possibly some of our readers have been

privately informed by some considerate

friend of the benefits of life insurance.

Our article is not on that line; it is a

case in point. Council Best, Esq., a

prominent citizen of Wayne county,

died a few weeks ago, leaving his fam-

ily in possession of considerable prop-

erty but a small amount of cash on hand.

To save the title and possession of

twenty thousand dollars worth of real

estate to the family it was necessary to

raise ten thousand dollars in two weeks

time. His life was insured for that

amount in a good company, but the

payment was not due till the expiration

of sixty days. Mr. W. H. Crow, of

this city, the agent of the company, was

written to if he could possibly make

the payment under the circumstances.

Yesterday he sent the \$10,000 to the

family and with it next week the \$90,-

000 will be saved by the kindness and

liberality of Mr. Crow's company in

making the payment 60 days in ad-

vance.

New Music.—We are indebted to L.

Branson, the bookstore man, for several

pieces of new music. As we know

nothing of this art we cannot, of course,

be expected to make comments as to

their merits or demerits. We can do

no more than give their titles: "Julia,

"Is of the Song," (a ballad), "Ray of

Sunshine" and "Autumn Leaves." We

take it for granted that they are all

should be, and so unhesitatingly recom-

mend them to all with musical propen-

sities.

REVENUE ITEMS.—An order has been

recently issued by the Commissioner of

Internal Revenue to the effect that

whenever operations are suspended at a

whisky distillery, and less than \$2,000

gallons of spirits remained stored in

the warehouse attached to such distil-

lery, the assignment of a storekeeper is

revoked, and the distiller cannot com-

mence operations again till a new as-

signment is made by the Commissioner

of Internal Revenue.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NORTH CAROLINA.

WAKE COUNTY.

SUPERIOR COURT.

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